



Community Services Department

#### MINUTES

# Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting September 20, 2023

 Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance: Chair Palmer called the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners Present: Chair Palmer, Vice Chair Gonzales, Greenberg, Liu, Nigel, Zamattia, and Zastrow. Excused Absence: Martinucci. Staff Present: Harden, Sandholm, and Wallace.

Commissioner Greenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 2. REVIEW OF AGENDA: MSC Liu/Zastrow. 7-0.
- 3. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES: Minutes from August 16, 2023. MSC Liu/Zastrow. 7-0.
- 4. **CONSENT CALENDAR:** None.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA: None.

# 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Continue Discussion on Recreation and Aquatic Center Implementation Plan Presentation from January 18, 2023 – Commissioner Greenberg asked when the building would be finished and why a portion of the creek was still cement. Acting Director Sandholm stated that the finish date wasn't defined yet. Chair Palmer stated he would ask about the creek at next month's RAC Advisory Committee meeting.

### 7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Review and Discussion for Crestmoor Fields Draft Master Plan – **Acting Deputy Director Tim Wallace** presented the staff report. **Brian Fletcher**, Callander Associates Landscape Architecture President, presented the draft master plan.

**Vice Chair Gonzales** asked if the project was funded.

**Commissioner Liu** asked if the line of trees between Courtland Drive and the parking lot were required, what the walking distance from the fitness area on the right-hand side to the end of the field was, and if more parking outside of the plan was available.

**Commissioner Zatrow** voiced concerns about enough parking and suggested having charging stations on Courtland Drive.

**Commissioner Zamattia** voiced her concerns with parking and the seating.

**Commissioner Greenberg** asked if the developer was required to contribute to the cost of the project, where the funding was coming from, what restrictions there would be on residents using the parking lot, if there would be lighting, turf, baseball/softball backstops,

and a dog area, and what were the maximum number of games that could be played at the same time.

**Chair Palmer** asked if the linear seat wall would be cement. He stated he supported lights and a synthetic turf field.

**Member of the Public Mazen Musallam, President of Lowen Soccer Club,** stated the field would be used primarily for soccer. He spoke in opposition of the backstop and track.

**Member of the Public Angel Lopez, Vice President of the Lowen 83 Club,** spoke about losing 2/3rds of the field. He spoke in opposition of the backstop. He asked where soccer would be during construction and voiced his concerns about parking.

Member of the Public Dallas spoke in opposition of a baseball field.

**Member of the Public Ted McCann** stated his son submitted comments about the bio retention area.

**Member of the Public Walter Carrasco** supported the project, but wanted more input from all communities.

Member of the Public Julia Dale-Jensen, AYSO Regional Commission, spoke in opposition of the backstop. She stated additional field space would be necessary.

**Member of the Public Mark O'Malley** spoke about the lack of fields for children in San Bruno and voiced his concerns about parking.

**Member of the Public Amar Jabor** spoke about the reduction of fields and his concern about where the children will play in the upcoming years.

**Member of the Public Josh Goldberg** opposed the project due to the lack of field space and parking. He suggested changes to the development to increase the amount of space for public use.

**Member of the Public Elaine Breeze, SummerHill Homes Developer,** stated this was the City's project and not the developer's project. The land was being dedicated free to the City and would be graded before it was dedicated. She stated that each lot would include four parking spaces.

**Member of the Public Rich Fern** stated his concerns about the bioretention area. He stated that an additional place to play soccer would be needed.

**Member of the Public Gustavo Gomez** opposed all amenities that didn't contribute to soccer. He suggested that the City negotiate with SummerHill to develop the fields.

**Member of the Public Jack McCann** suggested biking could reduce the number of parking spaces. He spoke about native plants.

**Member of the Public Bruce Ermann** spoke about parking enforcement. He opposed the track and backstop.

Member of the Public Abel Suarez opposed any baseball or softball accommodations.

**Commissioner Nigel** opposed the backstop and suggested carpooling. He stated that Monte Verde had potential for soccer fields.

**Commissioner Liu** thanked the members of the soccer community for coming. He suggested additional meetings.

**Commissioner Zamattia** sympathized with the soccer community. She stated that the school district took the big field away.

**Commissioner Greenberg** stated that City Council needed to hear the opinions when this was on their agenda.

# 8. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

**Commissioner Nigel** suggested that commissioners should visit Monte Verde and Pacific Heights as potential soccer fields.

**Vice Chair Gonzales** recognized Commissioner Nigel for being on the cover of CAPRCMB as a commissioner legend.

**Commissioner Liu** stated September 24<sup>th</sup> was the Festa Italiana at Orange Memorial Park.

**Commissioner Zastrow** stated Fog Fest in Pacifica was happening this weekend. He thanked the Parks & Rec service group for their work at Earl Glenview for the 13<sup>th</sup> year memorial.

**Commissioner Zamattia** asked about working with the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee on the Crestmoor Canyon trail or bike path. **Chair Palmer** stated that it would be revisited after the RAC opened. **Commissioner Nigel** suggested talking to the Fire Marshall.

**Commissioner Greenberg** asked when Diamond #3 would be completed. **Acting Director Sandholm** stated it was a couple of weeks away. She stated that Movies in the Park were fun.

Chair Palmer stated his park tour schedule for September 25<sup>th</sup> was changed.

**Vice Chair Gonzales** asked for an update on the next agenda about when the extraordinary service award recipients would be recognized. **Acting Director Sandholm** stated the plaques had been ordered.

# 9. **ITEMS FROM STAFF**:

Acting Director Sandholm stated new director Travis Karlen would be starting on Monday.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**: With no other business to be conducted, **Chair Palmer** adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.